

### ***-Hall Secures Funding in Final House-Senate 2008 Defense Appropriations Bill-***

Washington, DC – U.S. Representative John Hall (D-NY19) announced today that \$6 million in federal funding that he secured for Hudson Valley defense projects has survived the House-Senate Conference Report on the FY08 Department of Defense (DoD) Appropriations Act. This means that the money for two Hudson Valley defense projects is included in the final version of the funding bill, which will now be voted on by both the House and the Senate for final approval before being sent to the President.

Hall secured the money in the House version of the bill before the legislation moved to the Senate. The House is poised to pass the Conference Report for the funding bill later today. The Senate plans to consider the Report later this week.

"These projects are cutting-edge defense technology that will be made right here in the Hudson Valley. This technology will ultimately provide better night vision equipment for our troops and help improve battlefield medicine," said Hall. "The federal assistance will help advance the Hudson Valley's economy and provide the latest technology for our troops fighting overseas."

The following projects are included in the final DoD Conference Report:

- eMagin Corporation - Power Efficient Microdisplay Development for US Army Night Vision - \$2.4 Million in Funding. Power Efficient Night Vision equipment is constantly cited as a major need within the Department of Defense. FY '08 funding will develop a power efficient microdisplay and interface, suitable for inclusion into U.S. military thermal imaging devices, providing at least a 3x reduction in power from legacy technologies. The effort will include the incorporation of new, but already qualified, materials, pixel electronics and cell structure to match the latest thermal camera specifications.
- eMagin Corporation - Ultra-high Resolution Display for Army Medicine (UHRDARM) - \$3.6 Million in funding will allow for the design and prototype of ultra-high resolution microdisplay (greater than HDTV) for Army Medicine use. In addition, a conceptual optics design will be completed, providing confidence that a wide field-of-view, compact and lightweight head mounted display system can be built meeting Army medicine training and simulation requirements. eMagin Corporation's microdisplay manufacturing and Research and Development operations are co-located with IBM on its campus in East Fishkill, New York.